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Mr. Joe Helfrich Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining P.O. Box 145801 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

Dear Mr. Helfrich,

Enclosed please find three copies of the **DRAFT** report entitled "Cultural Resource Management Plan for Alton Coal Development's Proposed Development fo the Alton Amphitheater and Sink Valley, Kane County, Utah." This cultural resource management plan is considered a "living document," in which the management plan is a phased process that begins with immediate impacts to the cultural resources on private lands, and the subsequent phases of data recovery that will be conducted should a federal action proceed. With the approach of each phase of research, the proposed research or testing design and data recovery will append this document. Currently, the Phase I data recovery plan and research design is located in Appendix A. The Phase I data recovery plan and research design has been submitted, separately, for review and permitting. Please review and comment on this document within 30 days of receipt, as discussed at the Alton Coal On-site meeting on October 23, 2007.

Please forward one of the enclosed copies to Foster Kirby, Office of Surface Mining. If you have any questions concerning this project, please contact me or Patricia Stavish (Project Archaeologist) at 435-259-5764.

Sincerely,

Keith R. Montgomery Principal Investigator

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